



## **J D “Pappy” Wrenn, Jr.**

### **Mount Holly**

Joe David “Pappy” Wrenn Jr., 86, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014 at his home surrounded by family members, after more than three years of dementia. He was a native of Great Falls, S.C., and moved to Salisbury, N.C. in 1948 and lived there until he moved his family to Mount Holly in 1968. He graduated from Great Falls High School and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He retired as a supervisor in the EM&C Department of Duke Power Company in 1984 after 36 years of dedicated service. He was a member of VFW Post 9136, having served as commander and other offices. He was an active member of Second Baptist Church in Mount Holly, having been a choir member, served on the building and grounds committee, secretary of the men’s Sunday school class, worked with the kitchen committee, and was an active member of the “Prime Timers.”

Mr. Wrenn was preceded in death by his parents, Joe Davis and Fannie Stewart Wrenn; his daughter, Barbara Jo Wrenn; his first wife, Mildred Yarbrough Wrenn; a brother, James J. Wrenn; his step-mother, Laura Wrenn Gehrtz; and his second wife, Clara “Sue” Sharpe Wrenn. He is survived by his daughters, Joyce W. Fowler and husband Rick of Gastonia, Jean W. Walker and husband Kenny of Kings Mountain; sons, David S. Wrenn and wife Nancy of Stanley, Ricky L. Wrenn and wife Beverly of Mount Holly; step-daughters, Linca Callicutt of Salisbury, Patricia Eckerd of Hickory, Laura George and husband Sam of Winston-Salem, Paula Lail and husband Larry of Easley, S.C., Debbie Blanton of Lincolnton; step-son, Jerry Yarbrough and wife Barbara of Salisbury; sisters, Frances Williams of Rock Hills, S.C., Sara Lowrance of Charlotte, and Margaret Gehrtz and husband Leo of Cleveland, Ga.; five grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, seventeen step-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Vina Pesaru and P S Reddy, owners of Care Haven Senior Home Care Agency, and all of the CNAs who provided so much love and care for close to three years. Special thanks also to Dr. Kenneth Edel and the Hospice Team for their dedicated services.

A service to celebrate the life of Mr. Wrenn will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2014, at the Second Baptist Church, Mount Holly with Reverend Bruce Bradley officiating. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Garden Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Memorials may be made to Second Baptist Church, 740 Rankin Avenue, Mount Holly, NC 28120, Gaston Hospice, PO Box 3984 Gastonia, NC 28054, or Care Haven for Alzheimers, 852 Gold Hill Road, Suite 203, Fort Mill, SC 29708. Woodlawn Funeral Home, Mount Holly is serving the family.



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